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BROWNBACK BLASTS FILIBUSTER OF MARRIAGE PENALTY TAX RELIEF

WASHINGTON – U.S. Sen. Sam Brownback expressed great disappointment in today's Senate vote stalling the Marriage Penalty Relief Act (H.R. 6).

"The Democrats have once again filibustered our bill to relieve the impact of the marriage penalty on the American people," Brownback said.

"The president himself, in his budget submitted to Congress earlier this year, called for marriage penalty relief. Yet despite his call for marriage penalty relief, the Democrats are continuing to play parliamentary games with a bill that would mean significant tax relief for America's working families.

"Despite the Democrat filibuster, I will continue fighting to give the American people the marriage penalty relief they deserve. I am hopeful that we will be able to pass a bill to give marriage penalty relief before the end of this Congress – and I am prepared to fight to ensure that we do," Brownback said.

The marriage penalty currently effects almost 50 percent of America's families, causing them, on average, to pay an additional \$1,400 in taxes every year simply because they are married.

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Still digital photographs of today's news conference following the vote are available to media via email by contacting Brownback's press office.